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HYBRID VEHICLE

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## REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

September 29, 2005

Sir:

For:

The undersigned respectfully requests that the Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the priority document for the above-identified application.

The priority document was filed with the application November 6, 2003. Copies of the transmittal letter, the front cover of the priority document and the stamped postcard receipt are enclosed in support of this request.

In the event that any fees are due with respect to this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 107348-00383.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Application Transmittal Letter; Front Cover of Priority Document (copy)

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Date:

November 6, 2003

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

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By (Inventors):

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27 pages of Specification/Claims 1-12/Abstract are attached.

Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1-13; 12 sheet(s)) is/are attached.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 1 reference(s).

Priority of foreign application No. 2002-328182 filed November 12, 2002 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.  $\boxtimes$ 

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